




## MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Chief Joseph Chacon, Austin Police Department 

DATE: October 21, 2021

SUBJECT: Update on APD's LESO Pre-Approval Request (Resolution No. 20200611-095)

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Resolution No. [20200611-095](#) directed the City Manager, in part, to inventory all existing "military equipment" and report to Council with recommendations for items that can be properly disposed or returned if required. This policy applies to any and all equipment acquired by the APD through the U.S. Department of Defense's Law Enforcement Support Office (known as the "LESO" or 1033 Program), or any similar program.

In accordance with this Resolution, APD conducted an inventory and was able to dispose of several items. In addition, APD worked with the City Manager's Office to develop a LESO equipment review process and a pre-approved list of items that meet the intent of the Resolution.

Attached is the current list (as of July 2021) of items designated as "military equipment," currently being utilized by APD and serves as the City Manager's Office pre-approved list of equipment. These items can either be purchased or acquired by the department through the 1033 Program. All other equipment was properly disposed of in accordance with 1033 Program procedures. Should APD see a need for other equipment that may be designated as "military equipment," a request will be forwarded to the City Manager's Office for review and consideration of approval.

Please contact me should you have questions.

cc: Spencer Cronk, City Manager  
Anne Morgan, Interim Deputy City Manager  
Rey Arellano, Assistant City Manager  
Farah Muscadin, Office of Police Oversight Director

## **Military Equipment Pre-Approved by the City Manager's Office**

The following is the current inventory of "military equipment" at APD.

### **SWAT**

- Night Vision/Replacement Parts
- Infrared Illuminators
- Optics
- Eye Protection
- Tools (e.g., saws, wrenches, toolboxes, generators, etc.)
- Civilian Vehicles (Training)
- Thermal Imagers
- Binoculars
- Robots
- Explosive Ordinance Disposal Equipment
- Ordinance Disposal Equipment (Bomb Defusal) Robots and Replacement Parts
- Medical Equipment (e.g., IFAK's, Field Trauma Kits)
- Polaris Vehicles
- Night Vision

### **AIR UNIT**

- Helicopter/Replacement Parts
- Night Vision/Replacement Parts
- Tools

### **TRAINING ACADEMY**

- Optics
- Forklift (For ammunition storage/movement)

### **PATROL/REMAINDER OF THE DEPARTMENT**

- Eye Protection Optics
- Lights
- Medical Equipment (e.g., IFAK's, Field Trauma Kits)